Order Number: # 02-02-23-04



U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Forest Service Bighorn National Forest

Emergency Road and Trail Closures

PROHIBITIONS

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551 and 36 C.F.R. § 261.50 (b), the following is prohibited on the National Forest System (NFS) roads and trails in the Bighorn National Forest, shown on the attached tables and maps incorporated into this Order as Exhibits A through F (the "Described Roads and Trails"):

- 1. Being on the road. 36 C.F.R. § 261.54(e).
- 2. Being on the trail. 36 C.F.R. § 261.55(a).

EXEMPTIONS

Pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this Order:

- 1. Persons with Forest Service Permit No. FS-7700-48 (Permit for Use of Roads, Trails, or Areas Restricted by Regulation or Order), specifically exempting them from this Order or a written determination by a Forest Service authorized officer that a permit is not required under 36 C.F.R. § 251.50(e)(1) or (2).
- 2. Any Federal, State, or Local Officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting resource in the performance of an official duty.

DESCRIBED ROADS AND TRAILS

Roads and trails listed in Exhibit A through F.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this Order is to protect human health and safety and natural resources due to above normal precipitation.

IMPLEMENTATION

- 1. This Order shall be in effect from June 23, 2023 at 0800 until rescinded.
- A map identifying the Described Roads and Trails is attached and made part of this Order as Exhibit B, D and F. For a digital version of this Order and Exhibits, go to https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/bighorn/alerts-notices/?cid=fseprd1090225.
- 3. Unless otherwise expressly defined in this Order, the terms used in this Order are defined by the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture, 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299. If there are terms in this Order that are not expressly defined in the Order or 36 C.F.R. Chapter II, Parts 200-299, their meaning shall be determined by their plain language definitions.
- 4. A violation of the above prohibitions is punishable as a Class B misdemeanor by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, or by imprisonment for not more than six months, or both. 16 U.S.C. § 551; 18 U.S.C. §§ 3559, 3571, and 3581.
- 5. Contact the Bighorn National Forest Supervisor's Office in Sheridan, Wyoming at 307-674-2600 for more information about this Order.
- 6. This Order supersedes any previous Orders prohibiting the same or similar acts on the same Described Roads and Trails.

Signed and issued on 23 Twe 2023

Andrew K. Johnson Forest Supervisor

Bighorn National Forest